

Acrostics.



TO ANNIE.

A—s link by link is broken,
 N—ever to weld again,
 N—ew cares shall aye betoken,
 I—n hosts of ways ne'er spoken,
 E—mbers of lingering pain.

TO ALICE.

A—ll peachy, pearly, beautiful,
 L—ike blossoms passing by ;
 I—nstilling what I can't explain—
 C—an language reach the quick refrain,
 E—xpressed in clear blue eye ?

TO BERTIE.

B—ertie, devotion and love,
 E—ver I'll try to revere ;
 R—emain ye romances that charm,
 T—o take away mystified fear,
 I—n confidence where is the harm
 E—njoying the best that is here ?